

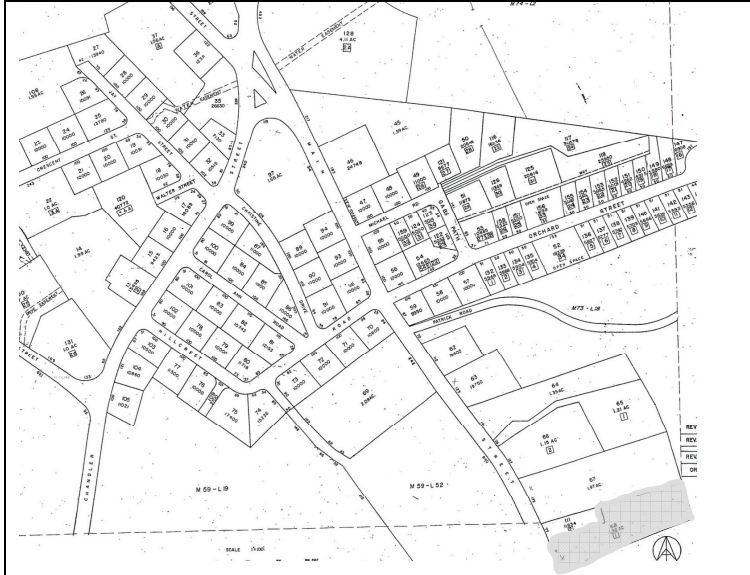
FORM B – BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

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Topographic or Assessor's Map



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Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

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Town: Tewksbury

Place: (*neighborhood or village*)

Address: 1388 Main Street

Historic Name: Thomas Morey House

Uses: Present: Two-Family Residential

Original: Single Family Residential

Date of Construction: 1840-1842

Source: Assessors Records & **Vitals Records**

Style/Form: Greek Revival

Architect/Builder:

Exterior Material:

Foundation: Granite

Wall/Trim: Aluminum Siding

Roof: Asphalt Shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:

Major Alterations (with dates):

Replacement Siding (Mid 20th Cen)

Condition: Fair

Moved: no | X | yes | | **Date** _____

Acreage: 1.32 Acres

Setting: Located in a formerly rural area on a major travel corridor.

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

TEWKSBURY

1388 MAIN STREET

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___ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

Use as much space as necessary to complete the following entries, allowing text to flow onto additional continuation sheets.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

The two story dwelling at 1388 Main Street rests on a rectangular granite foundation. The side hall Greek Revival dwelling has been altered with details from the early twentieth century like the Colonial Revival entry surround and by replacement materials. The three by four bay dwelling has a projecting portico on the front (west) façade. The round columns of the portico support the deep frieze and flat roof. The front gable roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles. The exterior walls are clad in aluminum siding. The windows are 6/6 double hung sash windows are flanked by shutters. The primary entrance is flanked by three-quarter height sidelights under a broken pediment surround.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

Although locally dated to 1820, the side hall style of the house indicates that house was likely built later c 1840-1842. This date is supported by vital records. According to historic maps and atlases the house was occupied by the T Morey [Mowry] family in the 19th century. Thomas Morey married Martha Jane French of Billerica in 1836. According to vital records their three oldest children were born in Billerica, the last being born in 1840. In 1842 their daughter Catherine French was born in Tewksbury in 1842. Eight additional children were born in Tewksbury 1844-1853. C 1847 Thomas Morey owned 71 acres of land in Tewksbury and North Billerica.

Their daughter Mary J French (b1851) married Alonzo Marshall and had three children. The Marshall's lived with Thomas and Martha Morey c 1880. In 1888 Martha Jane French died and the house was owned by the heirs of Thomas Morey.

Additional owners include: Roscoe Willett, a station agent and telegraph operator for the railroad, and his wife Eustachia (c1930-1952); Marion Frances Henderson (1952-1954); Albert J and Margaret Nardone (1954-1980); Stephen Folger & John Monson (1980-1984); Stephen Folger (1984-1991); Stephen & Susan Folger (1991-2002); and Mary Beth Traynor (2002-2009).

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